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9=1 Then Esdras
rising from the
court of the temple
went to the
chamber of Joanan
the son of Eliasib,
9=2 And remained
there, and did eat
no meat nor drink
water, mourning

**for the great
iniquities of the
multitude.**

**9=3 And there was
a proclamation in
all Jewry and
Jerusalem to all
them that were of
the captivity, that
they should be
gathered together**

at Jerusalem:

**9=4 And that
whosoever met
not there within
two or three days
according as the
elders that bare
rule appointed,
their cattle should
be seized to the
use of the temple,**

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**and himself cast
out from them
that were of
the captivity.**

**9=5 And in three
days were all
they of the tribe
of Judah and
Benjamin gathered
together at
Jerusalem the**

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**twentieth day of
the ninth month.**

**9=6 And all the
multitude sat
trembling in the
broad court of the
temple because of
the present foul
weather.**

9=7 So Esdras

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**arose up, and
said unto them,
Ye have
transgressed the
law in marrying
strange wives,
thereby to increase
the sins of Israel.**

**9=8 And now by
confessing give**

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**glory unto the Lord
God of our fathers,**

**9=9 And do his will,
and separate**

**yourselves from
the heathen of the
land, and from the
strange women.**

**9=10 Then cried the
whole multitude,
and said with a**

**loud voice,
Like as thou
hast spoken,
so will we do.**

9: 11 But forasmuch
as the people are
many, and it is foul
weather, so that
we cannot stand
without, and this is
not a work of a day

**or two, seeing our
sin in these things
is spread far:**

**9=12 Therefore let
the rulers of the
multitude stay, and
let all them of our
habitations that
have strange wives
come at the time
appointed,**

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9: 13 And with them
the rulers and
judges of every
place, till we turn
away the wrath of
the Lord from us
for this matter.

9: 14 Then
Jonathan the son
of Azael and
Ezechias the son

**of Theocanus
accordingly took
this matter upon
them: and
Mosollam and
Levis and
Sabbatheus
helped them.**

**9:15 And they
that were of the
captivity did**

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**according to all
these things.**

9= 16 **And Esdras
the priest chose
unto him the
principal men of
their families, all
by name: and in
the first day of the
tenth month they
sat together to**

**examine the
matter.**

9: 17 So their cause
that held strange
wives was brought
to an end in the
first day of the
first month.

9: 18 And of the
priests that were
come together, and

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**had strange wives,
there were found:**

9: 19 Of the sons
of Jesus the son
of Josedec, and
his brethren;
Matthelas and
Eleazar, and
Joribus and
Joadanus.

9: 20 And they

**gave their hands
to put away their
wives and to offer
rams to make
reconcilement
for their errors.**

**9=21 And of the
sons of Emmer;
Ananias, and
Zabdeus, and
Eanes, and**

**Sameius, and
Hiereel, and
Azarias.**

9=22 And of the
sons of Phaisur;
Elionas, Massias
Israel, and
Nathanael, and
Ocidelus and
Talsas.

9=23 And of the

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**Levites; Jozabad,
and Semis, and
Colius, who was
called Calitas, and
Patheus, and
Judas, and Jonas.**

9=24 Of the holy
singers; Eleazurus,
Bacchurus.

9=25 Of the porters;

**Sallumus, and
Tolbanes.**

9=26 Of them of
Israel, of the sons
of Phoros;
Hiermas, and
Eddias, and
Melchias, and
Maelus, and
Eleazar, and

**Asibias, and
Baanias.**

9:27 Of the sons
of Ela; Matthanias,
Zacharias, and
Hierielus, and
Hieremoth,
and Aedias.

9:28 And of the
sons of Zamoth;
Eliadas, Elisimus,

**Othonias, Jarimoth,
and Sabatus,
and Sardeus.**

9=29 **Of the sons
of Babai;**

**Johannes, and
Ananias and
Josabad, and
Amatheis.**

9=30 **Of the sons
of Mani; Olamus,**

**Mamuchus,
Jedeus, Jasubus,
Jasael, and
Hieremoth.**

**9=31 And of the
sons of Addi;
Naathus, and
Moosias, Lacunus,
and Naidus, and
Mathanias, and
Sesthel, Balnuus,**

and Manasseas.

9=32 And of the
sons of Annas;
Elionas and Aseas,
and Melchias,
and Sabbheus,
and Simon
Chosameus.

9=33 And of the
sons of Asom;
Altaneus, and

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**Matthias, and
Baanaia, Eliphalet,
and Manasses,
and Semei.**

9:34 And of the
sons of Maani;
Jeremias, Momdis,
Omaerus, Juel,
Mabdai, and
Pelias, and Anos,
Carabasion, and

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**Enasibus, and
Mamnitanaimus,
Eliasis, Bannus,
Eliali, Samis,
Selemias,
Nathanias: and
of the sons of
Ozora; Sesis,
Esril, Azaelus,
Samatus, Zambis,
Josephus.**

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9=35 And of the sons of Ethma; Mazitias, Zabadaias, Edes, Juel, Banaias.

9=36 All these had taken strange wives, and they put them away with their children.

9=37 And the

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**priests and
Levites, and they
that were of Israel,
dwelt in
Jerusalem, and in
the country, in the
first day of the
seventh month:
so the children of
Israel were in their
habitations.**

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9=38 And the whole multitude came together with one accord into the broad place of the holy porch toward the east:

9=39 And they spake unto Esdras the priest and reader, that he

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would bring the law of Moses, that was given of the Lord God of Israel.

9:40 So Esdras the chief priest brought the law unto the whole multitude from man to woman, and to all the

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**priests, to hear law
in the first day of
the seventh month.**

9:41 **And he read
in the broad court
before the holy
porch from
morning unto
midday, before
both men and
women; and the**

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**multitude gave
heed unto the law.**

9:42 And Esdras
the priest and
reader of the law
stood up upon a
pulpit of wood,
which was made
for that purpose.

9:43 And there
stood up by him

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**Mattathias,
Sammus, Ananias,
Azarias, Urias,
Ezecias,
Balasamus, upon
the right hand:**

**9=44 And upon his
left hand stood
Phaldaius, Misael,
Melchias,
Lothasubus,**

and Nabarias.

9=45 Then took
Esdras the book of
the law before the
multitude: for he
sat honourably in
the first place in
the sight of
them all.

9=46 And when
he opened the law,

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they stood all straight up. So Esdras blessed the Lord God most High, the God of hosts, Almighty.

9:47 And all the people answered, Amen; and lifting up their hands they fell to the ground,

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**and worshipped
the Lord.**

9=48 Also Jesus,
Anus, Sarabias,
Adinus, Jacubus,
Sabateas, Auteas,
Maianeas, and
Calitas, Asrias,
and Joazabdus,
and Ananias,
Biatas, the Levites,

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**taught the law of
the Lord, making
them withal to
understand it.**

9:49 Then spake
Attharates unto
Esdras the chief
priest. and reader,
and to the Levites
that taught the
multitude, even

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to all, saying,
9=50 This day is
holy unto the
Lord; (for they all
wept when they
heard the law:)

9=51 Go then, and
eat the fat, and
drink the sweet,
and send part
to them that

have nothing;

9=52 For this day
is holy unto the
Lord: and be not
sorrowful; for the
Lord will bring you
to honour.

9=53 So the Levites
published all
things to the
people, saying,

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**This day is holy
to the Lord; be
not sorrowful.**

9:54 Then went
they their way,
every one to eat
and drink, and
make merry, and
to give part to
them that had
nothing, and to

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make great cheer;

9=55 Because they understood the words wherein they were instructed, and for the which they had been assembled.

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*This concludes the
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